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PASS DIRECTOR, NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE, WASHDC

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SUBJ: MEETING ON SALMON ISSUE

GEF: STATE 25809

1. NAMING OF INDUSTRY MEMBERS TO JAPANESE DELEGATIONS ALSO CAME AS SURPRISE TO POST WHICH RAISED SUBJECT LOW KEY WITH FONOFF AND JFA.

2. HONDA, FIRST NORTH AMERICAN SECTION, CONSIDERED ONLY LOGICAL FOR U.S. INDUSTRY MEMBERS TO WANT TO SERVE ON U.S. DELEGATION SINCE JAPANESE DELEGATION INCLUDES INDUSTRY MEMBERS AND DID NOT EXPRESS ANY OBJECTION TO SUCH A DEVELOPMENT.

3. POST REQUESTED JFA CLARIFICATION SPECIFIC ROLE INDUSTRY MEMBERS EXPECTED TO PLAY. YONEZAWA STATED INDUSTRY MEMBERS WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN NEGOTIATIONS BUT WOULD BE AVAILABLE IN THEIR HOTEL ROOMS FOR "CONSULTATIONS" SINCE GOJ EXPECTS IT WILL BE NECESSARY AT SOME STAGE TO CONSULT WITH INDUSTRY IN ARRIVING AT A DECISION. THIS WAS ONLY NATURAL SINCE ANY DECISION REACHED BETWEEN TWO GOVERNMENTS WILL DIRECTLY AFFECT JAPANESE INDUSTRY. HE ALSO CONSIDERED IT HIGHLY UNLIKELY INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES WOULD DIRECTLY PARTICIPATE
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IN DISCUSSIONS, ALTHOUGH NOT RULING THIS OUT COMPLETELY.

4. DR. YOICHI YABUTA, FAR SEAS RESEARCH LABORATORY, JFA, SHIMIZU, SHIZUOKA PREFECTURE, ADDED TO LIST GOJ DELEGATION WHICH NOW INCLUDE FROM JFA OHBA, YONEZAWA, UEDA AND YABUTA AND FROM FONOFF MATSUURA, DEPUTY HEAD, FIRST NORTH AMERICAN SECTION. INDUSTRY ADVISERS TOTAL FOUR.

5. MONDAY, FEB 11, JAPANESE NATIONAL HOLIDAY WHICH MAY EXPLAIN IN PART JAPAN'S REQUEST FOR ONE-DAY DELAY CONVENING MEETING.

6. FYI. RFA MET WITH IINO AND SEKI, INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY DIVISION, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUREAU, FONOFF, REGARDING OTHER FISHERY MATTERS. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION, IINO STATED AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU HAS BEGUN TAKING MOST ACTIVE INTEREST FISHERIES MATTERS HANDLED BY DIVISION DUE TO INCREASING POLITICIZATON OF FISHERIES ISSUES.
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